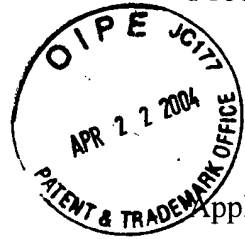


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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,

Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the attention of the Examiner:

A copy of a European Search Report mailed in related European Patent Application No.
03028106.7-2415 on March 23, 2004 is enclosed, in which the following documents were cited:

ITU-T Recommendation V.8 bis, "Procedures for the Identification and Selection of
Common Modes of Operation Between Data Circuit-Terminating Equipments (DCEs) and
Between Data Terminal Equipments (DTEs) Over the General Switched Telephone Network
and On Leased Point-to-Point Telephone-Type Circuits," which was published by the
International Telecommunication Union in August, 1996;

U.S. Patent 5,493,609 to DAVIS et al., which issued on February 20, 1996; and

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An article by K. KRECHMER at pages 63,64 and 66 of Data Communications, McGraw Hill, NY, vol. 23, no. 2 (January 21, 1994), entitled "V.34 Modems: Off to a Fast Start?."

The relevancy of each document is described in the European Search Report. Applicant notes that copies of these documents were previously submitted, and thus, copies are not enclosed.

A copy of a Canadian Office Action mailed in related Canadian Patent Application No. 2,396,963 on March 18, 2004 is enclosed, in which the following documents were cited:

European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 831 624, which was published on March 25, 1998; and

European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 513 527, which was published on November 19, 1992.

The relevancy of each document is described in the Canadian Office Action. Applicant submits herewith copies of the two European patent application publications that were cited in the Canadian Office Action, as they are newly cited documents.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the documents. The two European patent documents are attached hereto and are listed on a PTO-1449 Form, which is also attached hereto. The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

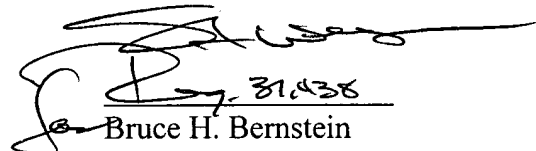
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However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any necessary additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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